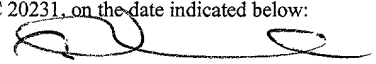


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LEXICON GENETICS INCORPORATED

Date: _____

By: _____

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VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c))-- SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

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I hereby state that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below.
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below.

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN Lexicon Genetics Incorporated

ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN 4000 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77381-4287

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR Part 121 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Questions related to size standards for a small business concern may be directed to: Small business Administration, Size Standard Staff, 409 Third Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.
☒ the application identified above.
☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

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Lexicon Genetics Incorporated

☐ Individual ☒ Small Business Concern ☐ Nonprofit Organization

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NAME OF PERSON SIGNING Lance Ishimoto

TITLE OF PERSON IF OTHER THAN OWNER Vice President - Intellectual Property

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SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

ASSIGNMENT

FOR GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I, CHRISTOPHE PERSON, ("ASSIGNOR"), having made an invention for REGION DEFINITION PROCEDURE AND CREATION OF A REPEAT SEQUENCE FILE, while in the employ either as an employee or consultant of Lexicon Genetics Incorporated, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and having its principal place of business at Lexicon Genetics Incorporated, 4000 Research Forest Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77381-4287 (sometimes hereinafter called "ASSIGNED"), does hereby ASSIGN, SELL and CONVEY to said Lexicon Genetics Incorporated, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in and to:

1. Said invention in REGION DEFINITION PROCEDURE AND CREATION OF A REPEAT SEQUENCE FILE;
2. United States of America patent application of said invention, claiming priority to provisional application Serial No. 60/227,099, filed August 22, 2000;
3. All applications for patent or like protection on said invention that have now been or may in the future be made by us or our legal representatives, whether in the United States of America or any other place anywhere in the world;
4. All patents and like protection that have now been or may in the future be granted on said invention to us or our legal representatives, whether in the United States of America or in any other country or place anywhere in the world;
5. All substitutions for and divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, renewals, reissues, extensions, and the like of said applications and patents and like grants, including without limitation, those obtained or permissible under past, present and future laws and statutes;
6. All rights of action on account of past, present and future unauthorized use of said invention and for infringement of said patents and like protection;

7. The right in ASSIGNEE to file in its name applications for patents and like protection for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States; and
8. All international rights of priority associated with said invention, applications, patents and like protection;

and I covenant that I, and my heirs, legal representatives, assigns, administrators, and executors, will, at the expense of ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, execute all papers and perform such other acts as may be reasonably necessary to give ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full benefit of this Assignment.

EXECUTED at the place and on the date indicated below.

ASSIGNOR

Date: _____

Christophe Person

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared CHRISTOPHE PERSON, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this the ____ day of _____, 2001.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas